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Today's Weather

There will be a gradual rise in temperature to around normal, with northwesterly moderate winds. In Aqaba, winds will be northerly moderate and seas calm.

	Overnight	Daytime
	Low	High
Amman	8	20
Aqaba	15	30
Deserts	9	23
Jordan Valley	14	28

Yesterday's high temperatures: Amman 17, Aqaba 27, Sunset tonight: 6:24 p.m. Sunrise tomorrow: 4:39 a.m.

Habib, Khaddam meet; talks with Assad today

DAMASCUS, May 9 (Agencies) — In his bid to defuse the Syrian-Israeli missile crisis, Mr. Philip Habib, the special U.S. presidential envoy, had an initial 150-minute meeting here today with Syria's foreign minister while fresh Syrian-Lebanese fighting raged anew in Beirut.

Syrian Deputy Foreign Minister Nasser Qaddour told newsmen Mr. Habib is to have more talks with Foreign Minister Abdul Halim Khaddam tomorrow before conferring with President Hafez Al Assad.

Mr. Habib said only, "Let me get on with my job" as newsmen crowded around him when he emerged from his meeting with Mr. Khaddam. Mr. Qaddour also refused to say anything more.

The U.S. envoy, who appeared jovial on arrival at the foreign ministry, appeared less so on departure as he elbowed his way through the crowd of newsmen to enter his car and drive to the U.S. embassy.

Syria's attitude toward Israeli threats of possible military action against the Soviet-made SAM-6 missiles deployed by it last week in eastern Lebanon was summed up in a commentary by the official Damascus Radio shortly before Mr. Habib met Mr. Khaddam.

The commentary said: "Syria does not fear any threat and will not retreat or bargain as it knows the source of its strength. Those in Washington and Tel Aviv are mistaken if they believe that by posing or making such threats to Syria that it will be diverted from its goal and abandon the cause of the Arab Nation."

"Syria has a firm stand from which it will never retreat... those who resort to adventurism through aggression will pay a very high price indeed," it added.

The Damascus meeting coincided with a new flareup of fighting in Beirut between Syrian troops and rightist Lebanese militias and units of the Lebanese army.

Associated Press photographer Bill Foley, trapped in the basement of a school in the southern Beirut suburbs of Hadass said. The Syrians were firing rockets, mortars and artillery into Hadass and other neighbourhoods and rightist forces were returning the fire.

Mr. Foley said he could see at least four fires blazing in Hadass. He said he saw a Lebanese army tank returning the Syrian fire.

"I have no words for you, not even a joke," a smiling Habib told reporters at the Damascus Shooting Club, 25 kilometres north of the capital, where he was greeted by Mr. Qaddour.

There has been no sign of a breakthrough on the effort to defuse the crisis over the missiles, which Mr. Habib could see clearly from his limousine as it drove on the Beirut-Damascus highway through Lebanon's Bekaa Valley.

Mr. Qaddour suggested that Mr. Habib, who met him during former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger's 1973 shuttle diplomacy, might want to do some sightseeing before departing to Israel.

"Thank you, no sightseeing this time," replied Mr. Habib, who is accompanied by assistant U.S. Undersecretary of State Morris Draper. "We are here on serious business. I'll come back for sightseeing another time."

Beirut newspapers polled the rightist and leftist militia leaders and government leaders in Lebanon who met with Mr. Habib and said the American had two main goals during his tour:

— to head off a military showdown between Syria and Israel over the Soviet-made missiles.

Accused Syrian spy gets 25-year jail term in Egypt

CAIRO, May 9 (A.P.) — A state security court today sentenced a 52-year-old Egyptian vegetable seller to 25 years in prison at hard labour on charges of spying for Syria.

The court found Mr. Khalifa Al Tarabolsi guilty of "providing Syrian intelligence with information on the political and economic situation in Egypt in the light of the peace pact with Israel."

Mr. Tarabolsi was arrested last June shortly after returning from a trip to a Gulf state where "he made contact with Syrian intelligence officers," a court official said.

Van der Klaauw to brief EEC before flying to Israel today

VENLO, the Netherlands, May 9 (R) — European Economic Community foreign ministers today began a two-day informal meeting which EEC sources said was expected to concentrate on the Middle East, trade problems with Japan and the EEC budget.

Diplomatic sources said the ministers were expected to discuss the fighting in Lebanon and hear a report from Dutch Foreign Minister Christoph van der Klaauw on his talks in the Middle East about a possible EEC peace initiative in the area.

Mr. Van der Klaauw, who is host for the ministerial meeting at a hotel outside Venlo near the Dutch-German border, recently returned from Egypt and had talks earlier this week in Rome with U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig and senior Vatican officials about the Middle East.

Common Market leaders agreed in Venice last June to examine an independent European role in

helping forward the Arab-Israeli peace process.

EEC sources said the idea was still at an exploratory stage and it had been made more complicated by the renewed outburst of fighting in Lebanon.

EEC foreign ministers joined other Western governments at a North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO) ministerial meeting in Rome earlier this week in issuing a declaration calling for an end to the violence in Lebanon.

Mr. Van der Klaauw is scheduled to fly to Israel tomorrow, immediately after the end of his discussions with his EEC colleagues, on the next leg of his Middle East tour.

In the next few weeks he plans also to visit Algeria, Bahrain and the United Arab Emirates with the aim of producing a final report for EEC government leaders at their summit in Luxembourg next June 29-30.

Shamir hopes Israeli-German spat's over

TEL AVIV, May 9 (Agencies) — This week's row between Israel and West Germany, which developed after Prime Minister Menachem Begin sharply criticised Chancellor Helmut Schmidt, should now be regarded as closed, Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir said today.

Mr. Begin, angered by Mr. Schmidt's statement that his country had a moral commitment to the Palestinians, (see text of Mr. Schmidt's remarks on page 4) charged the chancellor with "unbridled greed and avarice" and said he remained faithful to Hitler until the end of the World War II.

Interviewed on Israel Radio, Mr. Shamir said: "It was completely natural that the statement (by Mr. Schmidt) would draw reactions. The reaction led to counter-reaction, and we should see the



Yitzhak Shamir



Helmut Schmidt

incident closed with that. I see no point in carrying on the discussion without end."

Mr. Shamir said he hoped the recent conflict would result in better understanding among Eur-

opeans of the dangers inherent in selling weapons to the Arabs.

"I hope this exchange of severe remarks will result in something useful," he said. "Perhaps after this storm there will be better

understanding both in West Germany and in all of Europe of the dangers inherent in the policies of the European states in the Middle East.

Mr. Shamir said some European leaders "already are having second thoughts" on arms sales to the Arabs, but he did not elaborate.

Mr. Schmidt, meanwhile, says he had been moved by the support given to him by all West German political parties.

"The unity shown in the German Bundestag (lower house) on this matter moved me," Mr. Schmidt said yesterday at a Social Democratic Party (SPD) election rally in West Berlin.

During a debate in the Bonn assembly yesterday speakers from all the major political parties attacked Mr. Begin's remarks as unfair and unjustified.

Queen Noor at festival



Her Majesty Queen Noor explores the Jordanian International Festival at the American Community School on Friday. The festival included food, music, displays and entertainment from Jordan and all around the world. Story and more pictures on page 3 (Photo by Marianne Pearson)

Hassan winds up Tunisian trip

MAY 9 (Petra) — His Highness Crown Prince and Princess Sarvath left for Paris at the end of day visit to Tunisia.

His stay in the French prince Hassan will deliver at the Sorbonne and Antoinette Institute for International Relations.

The prince and his delegation were seen off at the Mithras airport by Tunisian Minister Mohammed Habib and League Secretary General Chadli Klibi, a representative of the Palestine Liberation Organisation in Tunis and the Tunisian ambassador.

His departure, Crown Prince Hassan visited the city of Tunis, where the mayor presented him with a gift, a copy of the Tunisian constitution.

During his visit Crown Prince Hassan met with Tunisian President Habib Bourguiba and conveyed to His Majesty King Hussein. He also discussed various ways of strengthening

bilateral ties and Arab and Islamic issues.

A joint press statement issued here at the conclusion of Prince Hassan's visit emphasised the importance of "pursuing efforts for strengthening Arab solidarity and unifying Arab ranks with the aim of confronting the Zionist enemy and supporting the steadfastness of the Palestinian people and their struggle under the leadership of the PLO for the restoration of their usurped rights, the establishment of an independent state, and the achievement of a total Israeli withdrawal from the occupied Arab territories, including Arab Jerusalem."

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In the statement, the two sides stressed their keenness on further promoting fraternal relations between Jordan and Tunisia.

To this end the two countries will increase their cooperation in the economic, social, commercial, agricultural, employment, cultural, scientific, tourist and manpower spheres.

They will exchange expertise in the chemical industries, phosphate mining and cement, and will also set up joint institutes for training staff in these fields. The two countries also will increase the exchange of visits by their officials.

In view of recurrent Israeli acts of aggression against the Palestinian and Lebanese peoples, the two countries stressed the need for "extending all possible support to the Lebanese government in its confrontation with Zionist conspiracies." They appealed "to world conscience to put an end to Zionist policies which threaten peace and security in the Middle East."

after a summit in Taif, Saudi Arabia, in January.

Iran won't talk until war's over, asks

TEHRAN, May 9 (R) — Iran's Islamic leadership postponed a conference of ministers scheduled to be held next month until war with Iraq, Deputy Minister Mohammad Has-

been able to achieve a ceasefire. Mr. Hashemi said in the radio interview that since the Islamic countries had chosen the peace mission, they had better not choose sides in the conflict.

Gulf peace team delayed

NEW DELHI, May 9 (Agencies) — Lack of official word from Iran has delayed the departure of a Non-aligned peace mission, scheduled to depart for Tehran today, Indian External Affairs Minister P.V. Narasimha Rao said.

Mr. Rao told reporters here that the four-man mediation group still was trying to contact Tehran about "the exact date and time" of their visit.

The mission, which was set up last February, also includes Cuban Foreign Minister Isidoro Malmerca, Zambian Foreign Minister Lameck Goma and Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) representative Farouk Khaddoumi.

They last visited Baghdad and Tehran a month ago but failed to find a way to end the seven-month-old conflict.

Iraqi forces have killed 64 Iraqis and lost nine of their own men in fighting during the past 24 hours, the official Iraqi News Agency said tonight.

It quoted a military communique as saying the Iranian casualties included 31 killed in the Abadan area.

The Gulf conflict has made 1.8 million Iraqis homeless, a senior Iranian government official says.

Deputy Interior Minister Mostafa Mirsalim said yesterday after touring refugee camps that most of the refugees came from Khuzestan, the main oil province and the scene of the Gulf war's heaviest fighting.

State television quoted Mr. Mirsalim as saying the government had allocated 60 billion rials (\$800 million) to relieve those who have lost their homes in the war.

UAE strike dropped

ABU DHABI, May 9 (A.P.) — Arab Emirates national government service workers who struck last week in the courts returned to work after giving the government to decide on their pay and conditions.

In the past week a number of schools, hospitals, departments and ministries closed. The national government service workers went on strike, but the government had included no provision in its civil service \$7 billion budget for the year.

Some of the striking workers were on the weekend on the island of Ras Al Khaimah, the poorest in the seven-emirate federation, to ask the emirate with the central government on their behalf.

After a meeting with the ruler, Sheikh Mohammed Al Fahim, who promised to pass on the matter to other members of the UAE council and to Sheikh Zayed Ibn Sultanahayan, a senior spokesman could not confirm the strike would be called off in next week should no agreement be forthcoming from the government during the week.

The delegation said they were on a better deal from the said the spokesman. The UAE is a rich government,



Sheikh Saqr

and they felt they had not been given some of the fruits of its wealth. They pointed out that with inflation their salaries were being eaten up and that they were in fact worse off than they were 10 years ago.

The striking nationals were believed to be looking for raises of between 30 to 40 per cent, though it was not clear whether they were pressing for an across-the-board increase that would cover all workers in the government service.

More than 80 per cent of the UAE work force is in fact non-national, mainly Arab nationals from Palestine, Jordan and Egypt. In the meantime, the ministry of information in Abu Dhabi has suspended two newspapers for five days for reporting the strike.

NATIONAL

Sharif Zaid meets American aide



AMMAN, May 9 (Petra) — Visiting U.S. Assistant Secretary of Defence for International Security Affairs Francis West today called on the commander-in-chief of the Jordanian armed forces, Lt. Gen. Sharif Zaid Ibn Shaker. The meeting at army headquarters was attended by Mr. West's delegation and a number of high-ranking army officers, as well as the American Charge d'Affaires in Jordan David Zweifel. Mr. West arrived in Amman yesterday.

King cables Czech leader

AMMAN, May 9 (Petra) — His Majesty King Hussein today sent a cable of good wishes to the president of Czechoslovakia, Dr. Gustav Husak, on the Czech national day.

He expressed hope for strengthening relations of friendship and cooperation between the two countries, and wished Mr. Husak and the people of Czechoslovakia progress and prosperity.

Iraqis visit Irbid

IRBID, May 8 (Petra) — A visiting delegation representing the Iraqi federation of chambers of commerce yesterday visited the city of Irbid and met with the president and members of the Irbid Chamber of Commerce.

During the meeting, views were exchanged on the industrial and commercial cooperation existing between the two countries. The Iraqi team also visited industrial establishments in Irbid and saw their products to explore the possibility of importing the surplus products to Iraqi markets.

ECWA meeting starts Tuesday

AMMAN, May 9 (Petra) — Jordan will participate in the meetings of the Economic Commission for Western Asia (ECWA) which will begin in Cyprus on Tuesday.

During the three-day meetings, the participants will discuss the question of planning and organising manpower. The under-secretary of the Ministry of Labour, Dr. Tayseer Abdul Jabbar, will represent Jordan at the meeting.

BRITISH COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENT

The British Council wishes to announce that Sunday's performance by the Haya Arts Centre players of Shakespeare in Arabic and in English will not now take place. We warmly invite you to attend, instead, the performance on Tuesday.

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British cultural programme comes to Aqaba next week

By Meg Abu Hamdan
Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN — Demands having been made for more cultural activities outside the capital, and a survey carried out to ask what people might like, the British Council, in cooperation with the Department of Culture and Arts, plans to hold a series of events in Aqaba.

A full programme has been organised to initiate the execution of the idea; and it is hoped that activities will continue under this impetus. From May 16, to the end of the month, the exhibition "Recent Prints from Britain" will be held at the Al Cazar Hotel, where also twice monthly film shows will be held, starting on May 18 with three short films — "Spleodours of Britain", "David Hockney's Diaries" and "City for All Seasons". The latter is a year-round look at London in Arabic.

On May 20 a highly relevant series of films about water sports will be shown: one on waterskiing, showing the experts at work; another about the 1976 "Great Clipper Race" and finally the story of Doodad Campbell in "The Price of the Record".

At the Holiday Inn on May 26 around the pool, Richard Deering will perform a cabaret of light music and jazz on the piano, while on May 27, back at the Al Cazar, one-man theatre Brian Barnes will perform "Bric-a-Brac" (subtitled "Tales Old and New") — an assortment of scenes from "The Mad Hatter's Tea Party" (Lewis Carroll), "The Selfish Giant" (Oscar Wilde), "Pied Piper of Hamelin" (Robert Browning), and "Pyramus and Thisbe" the play-within-a-play from "A Midsummer Night's Dream". Both performances start at 8 p.m., and there will be an admission fee of JD 1.

Planning seminar starts



AMMAN, May 9 (Petra) — The secretary general of the Council of Arab Economic Unity (CAEU), Dr. Fakr al-Qadour, opened here today a week-long seminar on long-term social and economic planning in Arab states.

Representatives of eight Arab states taking part in the seminar will hear lectures by specialists in planning, and will hold panel discussions to exchange views on the various subjects.

In his opening speech, Dr. Qadour underlined the importance of planning as a means of achieving Arab economic integration.

Countries taking part in the seminar, held at the Amman Chamber of Industry building, are Jordan, Iraq, Sudan, Somalia, Libya, North Yemen, South Yemen and Qatar, in addition to a number of Arab League organisations based in Amman.

Public transport planners meet

AMMAN, May 9 (Petra) — A two-week seminar on the administration of urban public transport opened here today.

Twenty-one participants in the seminar will exchange views and expertise on methods of transporting passengers, according to

the director general of the Amman-based Arab Organisation for Administrative Sciences (AOAS), Dr. Abdullah Al Zo'bi. He said that the participants, representing 13 Arab states, will hear lectures, take part in discussions and then make field

studies. The seminar is being organised jointly by the AOAS and the international centre for administrative development in Romania.

Following the first week's meeting here, the participants will move to Bucharest to hold the second week-long meeting and to acquaint themselves with Romania's experience in the administration of public transport, Dr. Zo'bi said.

At the outset of the meeting, Romanian charge d'affaires in Amman made a brief speech lauding the existing cooperation between Romania and the AOAS.

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WHAT'S GOING ON

Exhibitions

The British Council presents "The Age of Shakespeare", an exhibition which employs pictures, photographs, slides, music, models and costumes to explore the way of life of the late 16th-century Englishman. Open from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. and from 4 - 7 p.m., at the council in Jabal Amman.

The University of Jordan presents an exhibition of paintings, embroidery and handicrafts by 25 university students, at the university library.

The Jordan National Gallery of Fine Arts presents an exhibition of paintings by Iraqi artist Rafiq Al Nasiri. The exhibition is open to the public at the gallery, on Muntazah Square in Jabal Luw'aidh.

Public lecture

Yarmouk University presents a lecture by Minister of Social Development Ina'm Al Mufti on the subject of the handicapped and the facilities which have been provided to them in Jordan. The lecture will be delivered at 3:30 p.m., at the university hall in Irbid.

Church services

The Amman International Church (international and interdenominational) holds worship services each Sunday at 6 p.m. Church School for adults at 5 p.m.; nursery provided. The church meets for worship in the Baptist School in Shmeisani.

The Church of the Redeemer (C. of E./ Anglican/ Episcopal) celebrates Holy Communion at 8 p.m., and holds Morning Service at noon, and Evening Service at 4:30 p.m., all on Sunday. The church is located in First Circle area, near the Abliya School (CMS), beyond the China Restaurant.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

AMMAN, May 9 (Petra) — All stores selling cigarettes have been instructed to put up prominent notices warning smokers against health disease, cancer and other ailments that are caused by smoking, a spokesman for the Public Security Directorate said that the instructions were in implementation of resolutions passed by the Arab health ministers who met in Algiers recently.

AL 'ADASIYEH, May 9 (J.T.) — Two people were killed and four were injured in a road accident involving a pickup truck which collided with a heavy truck on the road to the Jordan Valley. The accident occurred last night when the pickup, carrying a number of people, hit the rear of the truck, parked alongside the road near Al 'Adasiyeh. The accident was among 17 in the past 24 hours which resulted in the death of another person and the injury of 18 others.

AMMAN, May 9 (J.T.) — The director of cultural relations at the Ministry of Education, Miss Nabila Wahbe, has submitted to Minister of Education Sa'ad Al Tal a report on the condition of Jordanian students in Soviet universities. The report covers the students' studies and their living conditions, and includes recommendations. Ms. Wahbe has recently paid a visit to the Soviet Union to look into the conditions of Jordanian students there.

Arab auditors' meeting starts

AMMAN, May 9 (Petra) — The fourth conference of the Federation of Arab Auditors opened here today under the slogan, "Accountancy in the Service of Tourism."

Opening the three-day conference, Central Bank Governor Mohammad Sa'ad Nabulsi praised the role of the federation in raising the standards of the accountancy and auditing professions in the

Arab World, and recruiting qualified staff to serve Arab countries. Referring to the conference slogan, Dr. Nabulsi said that tourism in Jordan has developed immensely in the last few years owing to the country's unique historical background, climate and location.

Also speaking at the opening session was the federation's secretary, general Mr. Izzeddin Bahmani, who pointed out that the slogan reflects the Arab countries' concern to develop tourism. Reveues from Arab tourism amounted to three per cent of total world's tourism revenues last year, and the number of tourists Arab countries has now registered 8 million, bringing in a total of 8 billion dollars in 1978, Mr. Bahmani said.

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Jordan-Kuwait Bank	JD 1,000	500	2,250	2,230	2,230
Jordan-Gulf Bank	JD 1,000	7,434	1,510	1,510	1,510
Housing Bank	JD 1,000	8,700	2,150	2,150	2,150
Arab Investment Bank	JD 1,000	300	1,640	1,630	1,640
Industrial Development Bank	JD 1,000	400	1,350	1,350	1,350
Cairo Amman Bank	JD 5,000	50	14,850	14,850	14,850
Arab Bank Co. Ltd.	JD 10,000	60	131,000	131,000	131,000
Arab Financial Corporation (Jordan) 80%	JD 10,000	20	13,600	13,600	13,600
Jordan Financial Papers Co.	JD 10,000	100	19,000	19,000	19,000
Jordan Insurance Co.	JD 1,000	314	16,150	16,150	16,150
General Insurance Co.	JD 1,000	200	12,000	12,000	12,000
Arabian Seas Insurance Co.	JD 1,000	1,490	1,700	1,680	1,700
Jordan Electricity Co.	JD 5,000	150	11,480	11,480	11,480
Arab International Hotels Co.	JD 1,000	3,431	2,040	2,020	2,030
Arabian Investment and International Trading Co.	JD 1,000	5,550	1,020	1,010	1,020
Dar Al Sha'b for Press, Publication and Distribution	JD 1,000	3,000	0,930	0,930	0,930
Jordan Dairy Co.	JD 1,000	2,600	1,300	1,290	1,290
General Mining Co.	JD 1,000	500	1,780	1,780	1,780
Arab Aluminium Industries Co.	JD 1,000	4,350	1,500	1,480	1,500
Arab Paper Processing and Trading Co.	JD 1,000	400	0,870	0,870	0,870
Industrial, Commercial and Agricultural Co.	JD 1,000	5,322	3,890	3,850	3,850
Arab Chemical Detergents Industries Co.	JD 1,000	1,250	4,900	4,880	4,880
National Steel Industries	JD 1,000	10,383	2,240	2,180	2,240
Dar Al Dawa' Development and Investment Co.	JD 1,000	840	3,280	3,260	3,260
Jordan Worsted Mills Co.	JD 1,000	300	3,350	3,350	3,350
Jordan Ceramics Industries Co.	JD 1,000	1,050	1,140	1,130	1,140
Jordan Glass Factories Co.	JD 1,000	660	0,830	0,820	0,830
Jordan Phosphate Mines Co.	JD 1,000	260	3,600	3,600	3,600
Jordan Lime and Silicate Brick Industries Co.	JD 5,000	1,575	6,250	6,180	6,250
Arab Pharmaceutical Manufacturing Co.	JD 5,000	297	30,100	29,800	30,100
Jordan Petroleum Refinery Co.	JD 5,000	505	8,450	8,430	8,430
Jordan Pipes Manufacturing Co.	JD 10,000	1,074	15,050	15,050	15,050
Jordan Cement Factories Co.	JD 10,000	132	18,600	18,510	18,510

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NATIONAL



International Jordanian Festival opens with the national anthems of Jordan and the U.S. played by the Jordan Army Band. Boy Scouts hold flags, while children in costumes of many lands watch from the left.

A colourful international day at the ACS

Text and photos by Marianne Pearson

Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN, May 9 — In opening remarks at the International Jordanian Festival held at the American Community School (ACS) yesterday, U.S. Charge d'Affaires David Zweifel said that he hoped the festival would be the beginning of a tradition.

ACS Librarian Vivian Daher, who chaired the occasion, echoed Mr. Zweifel's sentiment, saying the festival gave participants the opportunity to celebrate their nations' similarities and differences with others, and also to enjoy the host country. She thanked members of her committee: Mrs. Fiwz Wahab, Mrs. Jill Goddard, Mrs. Olga Dawani, Mrs. Nancy Habib, Mrs. Edie Balbeisi, Mrs. Joyce Qasem, Mrs. Afaf Finan, Mrs. Dee Hauser and Mrs. Marlyn Qubein.

The festival grew out of an annual dinner which featured dishes of many countries and was sponsored by the Home and School Association. Available on Friday were shawarmas and falafel; stuffed lamb was served in a bedouin tent; grilled chicken or hamburger with salad was also served. Available free of charge were desserts from the Sheraton Palace Hotel and the Hotel Training Institute. Dr. Pepper, Pepsis, and fruit

juice were given away in quantity.

A stone carver and strawloom worker demonstrated their crafts. Baskets and embroidered items were sold by students of UNRWA's Amman Training Centre, who also sold costume dolls, macrame and crochet work. Embroidery produced by the handicapped in Jordan was also sold. In a thrilling addition to the festival, the Royal Jordanian Falcons aerobatic team performed overhead.

ACS T-shirts were for sale. Sheraton Palace Hotel distributed free T-shirts and other hotel souvenirs. The Holiday Inn had games for the children, a lollipop tree and a clown.

At noon, a programme began in the multipurpose room; choral groups from grades Four and Six performed, with puppets on an adjacent stage acting out some of the songs. Erik Harrell and Scott Rogers sang folk songs to Erik's guitar accompaniment.

A show of traditional dresses of Pakistan was performed to background music provided by a group of Pakistani musicians. Mrs. Therese Wegelius sang folk songs of Finland; Korean children sang, and ACS upper grade girls modelled Jordanian traditional dresses from the collection of Mrs. Widad Kawar.

Her Majesty Queen Noor arrived in the afternoon to see the final items on the programme—the gymnastics show under the direction of Mrs. Annemarie Habash and the *dabke* folk dancing, presented courtesy of Jordan Television.



A weaver of straw mats exchanges smiles with two young admirers (above), while Pakistani musicians accompany a display of national costumes from their country (below).

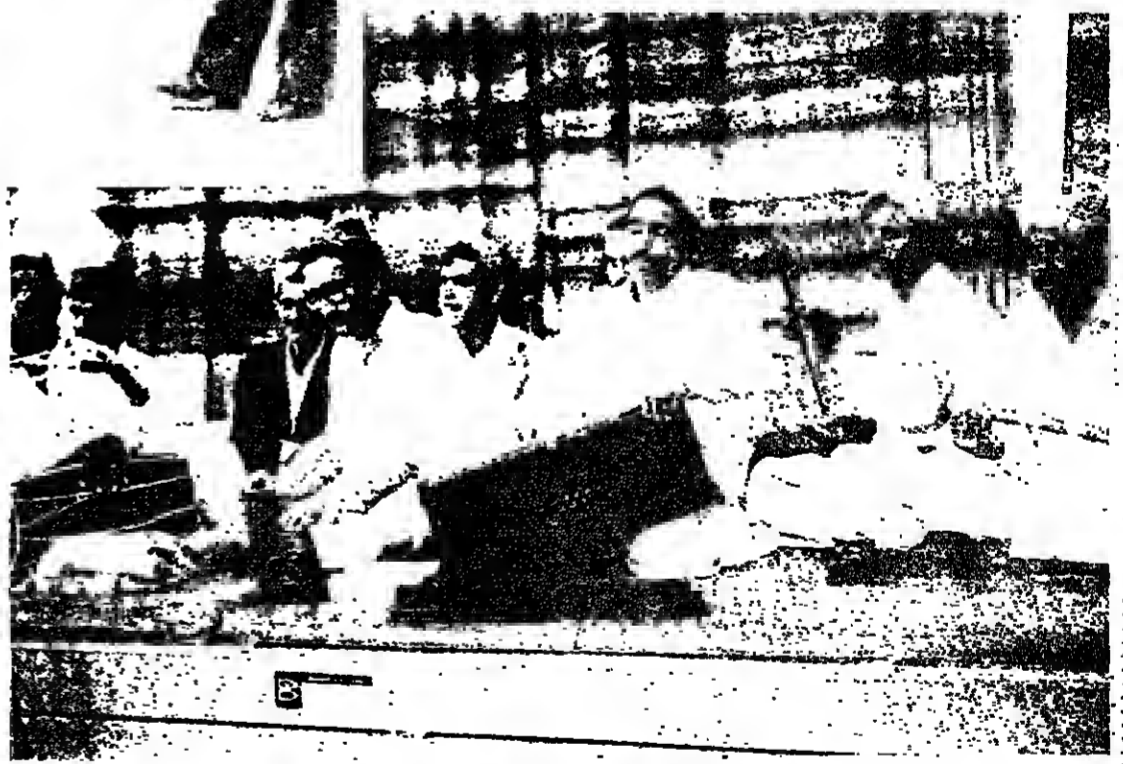
Even on the climbing bars get as close as possible to the Royal Jordanian Falcons (above); the Hotel Training Institute's booth offered Arab coffee and pastries made by students in its own kitchens



The indefatigable 'dabke' dancers rehearsed and performed most of the afternoon.



Mrs. Therese Wegelius wears the national costume of Finland as she sings Finnish folk songs.



The booths at the festival featured the embroidery work of the handicapped.

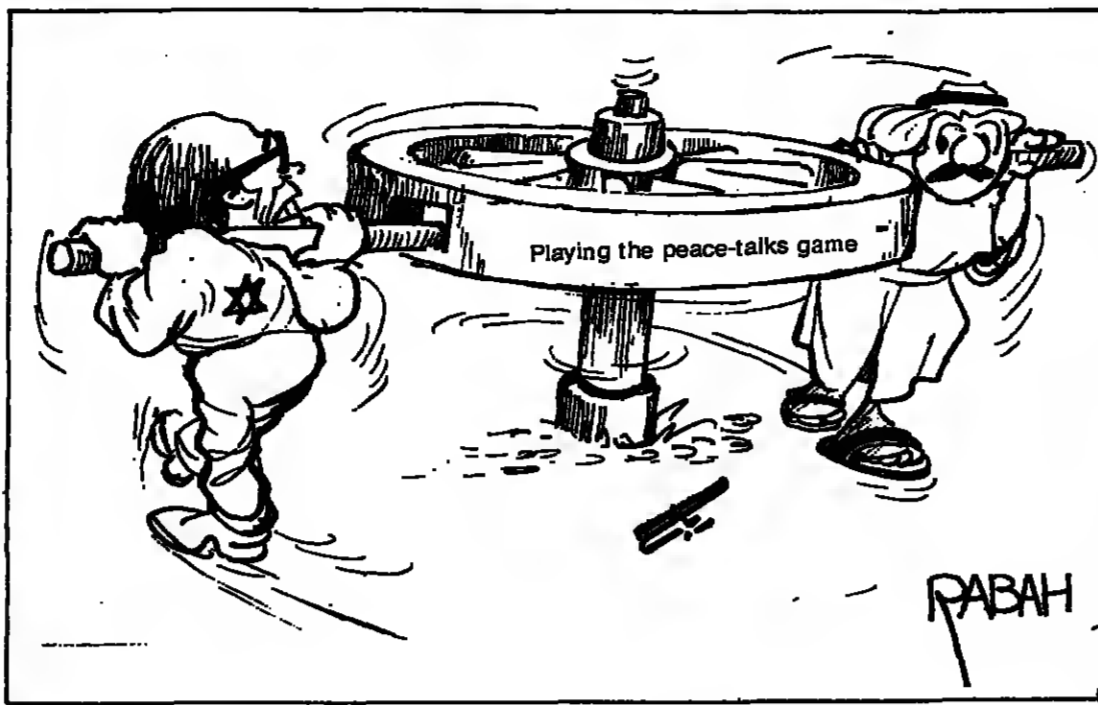


Students of Mrs. Anne Marie Habash present a gymnastics display

OPINION

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The Arab malaise?

By Dr. Kamel S. Abu Jaber

In the science of medicine, there is a rare condition called the Arab syndrome. Its most important symptom is that while the body as a whole is rendered incapacitated, progressively wasting and helpless, in the meantime each part alone appears to be functioning normally. Under certain conditions it even appears to be prospering. The organs appear to have some self-control, yet, when looked upon together, they are in discordant confusion and helplessness.

Morocco, Jordan, Libya or Syria each by itself appears to be progressing in the right direction, even prospering. What price this prosperity no one seems to know or cares to know. Whether are we going? To what destiny or fate? Few seem to know, or care to know. As a nation we seem to live from one day to the next worrying how to fill our bellies, mindlessly abandoning our final destination, if any. We move from one crisis to the next, and with each crisis we learn to lower our sights. No, we are not being tamed by unknown outside forces. The taming is being done by ourselves, as well as by others; and our peoples are progressively becoming toothless titers.

How did we get where we are? Who brought us here? Certainly not the blind forces of nature; nor is the blame to be laid at the doors of the Marxist dialectic of historical struggles. The disease, the malaise lies within ourselves and is also encouraged from without. We cannot, we should not blame the outside forces alone.

One day we are told we have untold riches which can lead to power. Then we discover that this is only an illusion. Like mirages in our deserts, our hopes turn into nothingness at each bend of the road. Our strategic location, our surplus funds, our oil, the lifeline of twentieth century civilisation, our armies are all somehow rendered powerless. How? Can our disease be arrested? Cured? When will the day come

for this nightmare to vanish? When will Mauritania stop being afraid of Morocco? Morocco of Algeria? Tunisia, Sudan, Egypt and others of Libya? When will the "brotherly" relations between the Arab "brothers" be restored? Is the wound of Lebanon haemorrhagic and permanently bleeding? What of South Yemen and her "sister" Oman? When will this chaos stop? When will we be able to begin taking control of our body?

I think it is time that we Arabs begin to think seriously about our

future. It is a fact that the as administered to treat our dis will not bring the cure. There abundance of talent in our ntries that can offer some ection, some pointers, some h given half a chance.

Our brains do not only "dr [h] physically moving out of Arab countries, they "drain" while remaining at home t lack of proper use. Surely cannot and should not be manently sbut out. The price h high and the whole body will fer.

Schmidt on PLO, Israel

EDITOR'S NOTE: The recent vehement attack on West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt by Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin was touched off by remarks on the Palestinian question made by Mr. Schmidt on German television on April 30 after his trip to Saudi Arabia and the UAE. The following is the official West German translation of Mr. Schmidt's statement.

IN THE conflict over the Palestinians one cannot say that all mo right is on the one side and just shrug one's shoulders about the oth side. That won't do, especially if one is German, lives in a divid nation, and asserts that the Germans have a moral right to se determination. Then one must also acknowledge the moral right self-determination of the Palestinian people. Let me say one thi with regard to the PLO. If we in the West simply regard the PLO terrorists and do not earn to distinguish between the various factio within the PLO, which after all is an umbrella for a wide variety organisations, then that is the surest way of driving the PLO in Moscow's arms. That is not a sensible approach, quite apart from the fact that to me it is also a moral question whether we take the vie that the expelled and refugees from the West Bank and from the Es Bank are not so much our concern.

I feel it is a tragedy of Greek proportions that the Jews have at lo last, after two thousand years, been able to establish their own sta once again and that it should not be possible to consolidate, to secu their state in agreement with the neighbouring peoples. The Israe must one day recognise that the Palestinians have the right to de ermine their own fate, to decide who is going to represent them. N one other than the Palestinians themselves can make this decisio And if they want to form their own state it is they who will have decide. They must have the right to organise their own stateho.

And the Palestinians must one day recognise that the Israelis, li every other nation in the world, have the right to live as a state with recognised and secure boundaries. And if the two of them would on 'move towards one another, knowing that each had to recognise th other, then a great deal would have been achieved. But up to no both sides have even refused to talk to one another. To me this is tragedy, because I sincerely hope for the Jews that the state they ha founded will be permanent and that it will not be jeopardised by policy that is not far-sighted enough.

ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

AL RA'I: Mr. Menachem Begin has vowed that as long as he remains prime minister, Israel will not withdraw from the West Bank and the Gaza Strip. He has also reiterated old claims about the Israel of the Torah, which signifies the expansion of the Israeli entity to include all the Palestinian lands. Meanwhile, Mr. Begin has promised the Israeli settlers in the north that the Palestine in Lebanon will be destroyed soon.

What Mr. Begin has said simply means expansion from the Mediterranean to the Jordan River and the annihilation of the Palestinian people, and that there is no room for any other than Israeli sovereignty over all the Palestinian lands. This reminds us of the attack against the Arabs, when they used to call for the liberation of Palestine from the Mediterranean to the River Jordan. At that time, Western propaganda media began to say that the Arabs were thinking in an "uncivilised" way. These same media attributed the Arab defeat in 1967 to the backward way they thought.

Now, 14 years after the 1967 war, Mr. Begin comes to vow that he will spread Israeli sovereignty over all Palestinian lands from the Mediterranean to the Jordan, and to pledge to destroy the Palestinians. Nevertheless, we hear nothing from those who previously accused the Arabs of "uncivilised" and "backward" thinking.

Furthermore, where are those who do not want to deal with the Palestine Liberation Organisation because its charter calls for the establishment of a secular state in all of Palestine? Do they realise the

difference between what Mr. Begin has vowed and pledged and the charter which does not call for the annihilation of anyone? Can these people feel, after all they have heard from Mr. Begin, embarrassed about dealing with Israel, as they do with the PLO?

Where does the Camp David process come within all this? Does it not mean that this process is futile after Mr. Begin's statements? Can we say now that there is nothing other than Arab self-strength to regain for the Arabs their rights in Palestine?

AL DUSTOUR: The clear and frank ideas and views which His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan presented to the participants in the First Cultural Season of the Arab League represent, in their contents and intent, an effort to overcome the deteriorating Arab situation and enter a new phase capable of coping with the challenges threatening the Arab nation's existence.

Crown Prince Hassan concentrated in particular on the significance and inevitability of joint Arab action as a consistent pan-Arab position of Jordan. This position is based on belief in the unity of the future and goals of the Arab Nation in achieving economic, ideological and political unity.

What is more important is to make joint Arab action transcend the framework of an intellectual luxury and make it rise to the level of implementation, in accordance with definite programmes based on comprehensive studies and integrated planning.

Money talks

IT IS interesting to note that while we are now observing the international year of the disabled, we are also launching a new five-year development plan whose demand for foreign labour will probably bring into Jordan tens of thousands of new workers from abroad. It would be appropriate for the private sector and the relevant public institutions to pool their resources, put their heads together and come up with a national programme to promote the employment, vocational training and advancement of the handicapped. The vast majority of physically and mentally handicapped people can handle productive work if they are allowed to do so in an atmosphere that is conducive to a serious effort on the part of the individual and the group. What is required, however, is a really serious effort, and not a ceremonial affair based on a few well publicised but only symbolic cases. It would be appropriate, for example, for the tax code to be amended to allow corporations to deduct double the wages they pay handicapped employees from their gross profits at the end of the year, before they calculate their taxes. Or the Social Security Corporation could waive the employer's contribution to the social security scheme as an incentive to hiring the handicapped. At some stage, we have to put our money where our mouth is. Hiring and training the handicapped can be best encouraged via the only language that our commercial sector understands -- money. The final beneficiary will be the country as a whole.

JORDAN TIMES DAILY GUIDE

JORDAN TELEVISION

CHANNEL 3

- 5:30 Koran
- 5:45 Cartoons
- 6:10 Children's Programme
- 6:25 Polyanna
- 7:00 Programme Preview
- 7:10 Programme on Sports
- 8:00 News in Arabic
- 8:30 Arabic series
- 9:20 T.V. Magazine
- 10:30 Arabic series
- 11:10 News in Arabic

CHANNEL 6

- 6:00 French Variety Programme
- 7:00 News in French
- 8:00 News in Hebrew
- 8:30 News in Arabic
- 9:10 "A Sharp Intake of Breath"
- 10:00 Play of the Week
- 10:15 News in English
- 10:15 The Love Boat

RADIO JORDAN

855 KHz, AM & 99 MHz, FM

- 7:00 Sign on
- 7:01 Morning Show
- 7:30 News Bulletin
- 7:40 Morning Show
- 10:00 News Headlines
- 10:30 Pop Session
- 11:00 Sign off
- 12:00 News Headlines
- 12:03 Pop Session
- 13:00 News Summary
- 13:05 Pop Session
- 14:00 News Bulletin
- 14:10 Instrumentals
- 14:30 Country Meets Folk
- 15:00 Concert Hour
- 16:00 News Summary
- 16:03 Instrumentals
- 16:30 Old Favourites
- 17:00 Listeners' Choice
- 18:00 News Summary
- 18:03 Newsdesk
- 19:00 Music
- 19:30 Music
- 20:00 Evening Show
- 21:00 News Summary
- 21:03 Evening Show
- 22:00 Sign off

BBC WORLD SERVICE

639, 720, 1413 KHz

- 04:00 Newsdesk 04:30 Moment
- Musical 04:45 Financial Review
- 04:55 Reflections 05:00 World News; British Press Review 05:15 Letterbox 05:30 The Maid of the Mill 05:45 Letter from America 06:00 Newsdesk 06:30 Cap Final Highlights 07:00 World News; News about Britain 07:15 From Our Own Correspondent 07:30 Classical Record Review 07:45 The Captain's Doll 08:00 World News;

Reflections 08:15 The Pleasure's

- 09:00 World News; British Press Review 09:15 People and Politics 09:30 From the Weeklies 09:45 Sports Review 10:15 Of Kings and Men 10:30 Religious Service 11:00 World News; News about Britain 11:15 Letter from America 11:30 Play of the Week 12:30 Baker's Half-Dozen 13:00 World News; Commentary 13:15 From Our Own Correspondent 13:30 Short Story 13:45 Sandi Jones Request Show 14:30 The Jason Explanation 15:00 Radio Newsreel 15:15 Concert Hall 16:00 World News; Commentary 16:15 From our own Correspondent 16:45 Letter from America 17:00 World News; Meridian 17:20 New Ideas 17:30 Aria 17:45 Sportscall 18:00 World News; News about Britain 18:15 Radio Newsreel 18:30 The Wild Boy of Aveyron 19:00 Country Style 19:15 Birdsong 20:00 World News; Commentary 20:15 Letterbox 20:30 Sunday Half-Hour 21:00 Letter from Tuscany 21:15 Sandi Jones Request Show 22:00 World News 22:45 Science in Action 23:00 Reflections 23:45 Sportscall 23:00 World News; Commentary 23:15 Letter from America 23:30 Brain of Britain 1931

VOICE OF AMERICA

- 03:30 The Breakfast Show: 06:30 News on the hour and 28 min. after each hour 17:00 News and New Products (USA) 17:15 Critics Choice 17:30 Studio One 18:00 Special English: News/Worlds and their stories, feature "People in America" 18:30 Music USA (Standards) 19:00 News and Topical Reports 19:15 News Horizons 19:30 Issues in the News 20:00 Special English: News/Worlds and their stories 20:15 The Concert Hall 21:00 News and New Products USA 21:15 Critics Choice 21:30 Studio One

AMMAN AIRPORT FOR SUNDAY

ARRIVALS:

- 7:05 Cairo (EA)
- 8:45 Cairo
- 8:55 Aqaba
- 9:40 Kuwait
- 9:45 Abu Dhabi
- 11:05 Riyadh (SV)
- 14:00 Jeddah (SV)
- 15:35 Kuwait (KAC)
- 16:30 Cairo
- 16:35 Athens
- 16:35 Rawalpindi (BA)
- 16:45 Tunis, Tripoli
- 17:45 Houston, New York
- 17:55 Paris
- 17:55 Brussels, Geneva

DEPARTURES:

- 3:30 Cairo
- 7:00 Aqaba
- 8:50 Athens, Amsterdam (KLM)
- 8:55 Cairo (EA)
- 9:30 London (BA)
- 10:00 Frankfurt
- 10:10 Rome
- 10:45 Athens, Copenhagen (SK)
- 11:00 Amsterdam, N. York
- 11:10 Athens
- 11:30 Cairo
- 12:00 London
- 12:45 Riyadh (SV)
- 13:00 Cairo
- 15:00 Jeddah (SV)
- 16:30 Kuwait (KAC)
- 17:45 London (BA)
- 18:50 Abu Dhabi
- 19:00 Kuwait
- 19:10 Bahrain, Doha
- 19:20 Dahrain
- 19:30 Jeddah
- 19:45 Baghdad
- 20:00 Cairo
- 20:30 Dubai, Muscat
- 21:30 Bangkok
- 01:00 Cairo (EA)

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- DOCTORS:**
- Amman: Abdul Rahman Al Najjar 75050
- Nidhal Marqas 81218/8-82642
- Zarqa: Mahmoud Fourah 85132
- Irbid: Radwan Al Sa'ad 75877

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- Amman: Naikoukha 23672
- Al Jami'a 44554
- Khamees 68511
- Na'eem 36194
- Zarqa: Al Salam (-)
- Irbid: For'ad (-)
- TAXIS:
- Jerusalem 39655
- Trial 25021
- Al Amman 56050
- Faisal 22051
- Al Burj 61028

CULTURAL CENTRES

- American Centre 41520
- British Council 36147-8
- French Cultural Centre 37009
- Goethe Institute 44393
- Soviet Cultural Centre 44303
- Spanish Cultural Centre 24049
- Turkish Cultural Centre 39777
- Haya Arts Centre 65195
- Al Hussein Youth City 67181
- Y.W.C.A. 41793
- Y.W.M.A. 64251
- Amman Municipal Library 36111
- University of Jordan Library 84355/843666

SERVICE CLUBS

- Lions Philadelphia Club. Meetings every second and fourth Wednesday at the Grand Palace Hotel, 1:30 p.m.
- Lions Amman Club. Meetings every first and third Wednesday at the Intercontinental Hotel, 1:30 p.m.
- Rotary Club. Meetings every Thursday at the Intercontinental Hotel, 2:00 p.m.
- Philadelphia Rotary Club. Meetings every Wednesday at the Holiday Inn, 1:30 p.m.

MUSEUMS

- Folklore Museum: Jewelry and costumes over 100 years old. Also mosaics from Madaba and Jerash (4th to 18th centuries). The Roman Theatre, Amman. Opening hours: 9:00 a.m. - 5 p.m. Year-round. Tel. 23316
- Popular Life of Jordan Museum: 100 to 150 year old items such as costumes, weapons, musical instruments, etc. Opening hours: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. closed Tuesdays. Tel. 37169
- Jordan Archaeological Museum: Has an excellent collection of the antiquities of Jordan. Jabel Al Qal'a (Citadel Hill). Opening hours: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. (Fridays and official holidays 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.). Closed on Tuesdays. Tel. 30128
- Jordan National Gallery: Contains a collection of paintings, ceramics, and sculpture by contemporary Islamic artists from most of the Muslim countries and a collection of paintings by 19th Century oriental artists. Muntazah, Jabal Luweibid. Opening hours: 10:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Closed on Tuesdays.

PRAYER TIMES FOR SUNDAY

- Fajr 3:00
- Sunrise 4:41
- Dhuhr 11:35
- Asr 3:16
- Maghreb 6:29
- 'Isha 7:53

LOCAL EXCHANGE RATES

- Saudi riyal 98/98.5
- Lebanese pound 78.5/79.3
- Syrian pound 49.9/50.5
- Iraqi dinar 740/750.6
- Kuwaiti dinar 1186.6/1193.3
- Egyptian pound 394/397.3
- Qatari riyal 89.8/90.4
- UAE dirham 89.4/89.8
- Omani rial 947.3/953.6
- U.S. dollar 329/331
- U.K. sterling 698.5/702.7
- W. German mark 145.9/146.8
- Swiss franc 160.2/161.2
- Italian lire 29.3/29.5
- (for every 100) 61.4/61.8
- Dutch guilder 131.2/132
- Swedish crown 68/68.4
- Belgium franc 89.3/89.8
- Japanese yen 151.4/152.3
- (for every 100)

USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

- Ambulance (government) 75111
- Civil Defence rescue 61111
- Jordan Electric Power Co. (emergency) 36381-2
- Municipal water service (emergency) 37111-3
- Police headquarters 3914
- Najdeb rowing patrol rescue police. (English spoken) 24 hours a day for emergency 21111, 37777
- Airport information (ALIA) 92285/92286
- Jordan Television 73111
- Radio Jordan 74111
- Fire firstaid, fire, police 199
- Fire headquarters 22090
- Cablegramme or telegramme 18
- Telephone: Information 12
- Jordan and Middle East trunk calls 10
- Overseas radio and satellite calls 17
- Telephone maintenance and repair service 11

MARKET PRICES

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| Fonatoes | 130 | 80 | Carrots | 110 | 80 |
| Eggplant | 160 | 120 | Turnips | 70 | 70 |
| Potatoes (imported) | 100 | 80 | Bananas | 270 | 200 |
| Marrow (small) | 140 | 100 | Bananas (from makhamar) | 235 | 160 |
| Marrow (large) | 70 | 50 | Dates | 250 | 250 |
| Cucumber (small) | 140 | 100 | Apples (American, Japanese (red, waxed)) | 480 | 480 |
| Cucumber (large) | 70 | 50 | Apples (Double Red) | 300 | 250 |
| Peas | 140 | 100 | Apples (Starken) | 200 | 160 |
| String beans | 220 | 170 | Apples (Golden) | 250 | 160 |
| Potatoes (local) | 125 | 90 | Oranges (Shammout) | 190 | 190 |
| Lettuce (head) | 80 | 50 | Oranges (Valencia) | 120 | 120 |
| Cauliflower | 180 | 120 | Oranges (Waxed) | 120 | 120 |
| Bell pepper | 200 | 140 | Grapesfruit | 130 | 100 |
| Cabbage | 80 | 80 | Lemon | 220 | 150 |
| Spinach | 140 | 100 | Coconut (applee) | 200 | 200 |
| Onions (dry) | 100 | 70 | Water Melons | 160 | 160 |
| Onions (green) | 160 | 100 | | | |
| Garlic | 140 | 100 | | | |

FORECAST FOR SUNDAY, MAY 10, 1981

YOUR DAILY Horoscope

from the Carroll Righter Institute

GENERAL TENDENCIES: A good day and evening to carefully think out what your long-range ambitions are and to make constructive plans toward gaining them. Excellent benefits are bound to follow.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Plan how to improve your skills in career matters and you can gain more security in the future. Strive for happiness.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Try a change of pace where personal matters are concerned and you can spark up your life. Put best foot forward.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) You have fine ideas for adding to present assets, so put them in operation without delay. Devote evening to loved one.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) This is a fine day for getting together with congenial and having a good time. Show that you have poise.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) A good day to study philosophical matters that can improve the quality of your life. Plan for the future.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Gaining a new perspective at whatever your main interests are can bring more interesting results at this time.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Study new methods that could bring you greater income in the future. Showing more thought for loved one is wise.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) A good day to come to a better accord with family members. Make plans to improve your status in career activities.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Forget outside activities today and concentrate on personal work that has to be done. Take it easy tonight.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Take time for meditation in the morning and adopt the right philosophy to follow. Show true devotion to loved one.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Good day for entertaining at home but only invite congenial for complete harmony. Much happiness can be yours now.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) A good day to make plans that could give you more abundance in the days ahead. Show gratitude to family members.

IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY ... he or she will be one of those charming young persons who will be physically strong and with good ideas that could lead to a most successful life. Send to good schools and give religious training early in life.

"The Stars impel, they do not compel." What you make of your life is largely up to you!

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For withdrawal of Saudi aid to Syrian force in Lebanon

Cairo magazine applauds Saudis

May 9 (A.P.) — Saudi withdrawal of financial support to Syrian military force in Lebanon...

"We bless Saudi move supported by Kuwait, the Gulf states and Iraq. It will increase the dimensions of the small peace patch in the Middle East..."



Anwar Sadat

Muslim factions which had in turn invited Israeli military involvement...

MIDDLE EAST BRIEFS

Shah's son holidaying in Switzerland

CAIRO, May 9 A.P.J — The son of the late shah of Iran is currently on holiday in Switzerland...

Sadat expected to have talks with Reagan in September

CAIRO, May 9 (A.P.) — Presidents Ronald Reagan and Anwar Sadat are expected to hold talks in the United States in September...

Reagan's election he said it would be embarrassing to land the incoming president with the Middle East problem so soon.

Exiled Palestinian mayors visit Abu 'Ein

CHICAGO, May 9 (R) — Two exiled Palestinian mayors from the Israeli-occupied West Bank have visited a jailed Palestinian...

Iran decides, but won't disclose, fate of seized ship

AN, May 9 (R) — Iran's Defence Council has said on the fate of an Iranian oil survey ship...

Texas and sailing under Panamanian and Kuwaiti flags, is on charter to the Kuwaiti National Oil Company.

Arab Americans: bridge between two worlds

SAN FRANCISCO, May 9 (Agencies) — Arab Americans have a unique role to play in developing in the United States...

and strategic interests in the Middle East and American policy, particularly regarding the Palestine question...

economic — that is predicated on mutual interests and mutual respect... and the restoration of stability to the area.

Because of black market, fewer high-spending Arab visitors

Egypt loses out on tourism boom

Egypt enjoyed a near 18 per cent rise in the number of visiting tourists, but revenues are not climbing at anything like the rate...

ations with its neighbours. Arabs are the largest per capita spenders of all foreign visitors...

The levelling off last year can be attributed in part to the U.S. recession, hot American tourists in Egypt may well have reached saturation point...

are said to be the highest in the world. Despite the present hotel building boom Mr. El Nazer does not expect supply and demand to be in reasonable balance until 1985.

is enjoying a rare boom in 1979. However, while the number of foreign visitors rose last year over 1978, the increase in revenues has been far smaller because of a black market in currency...

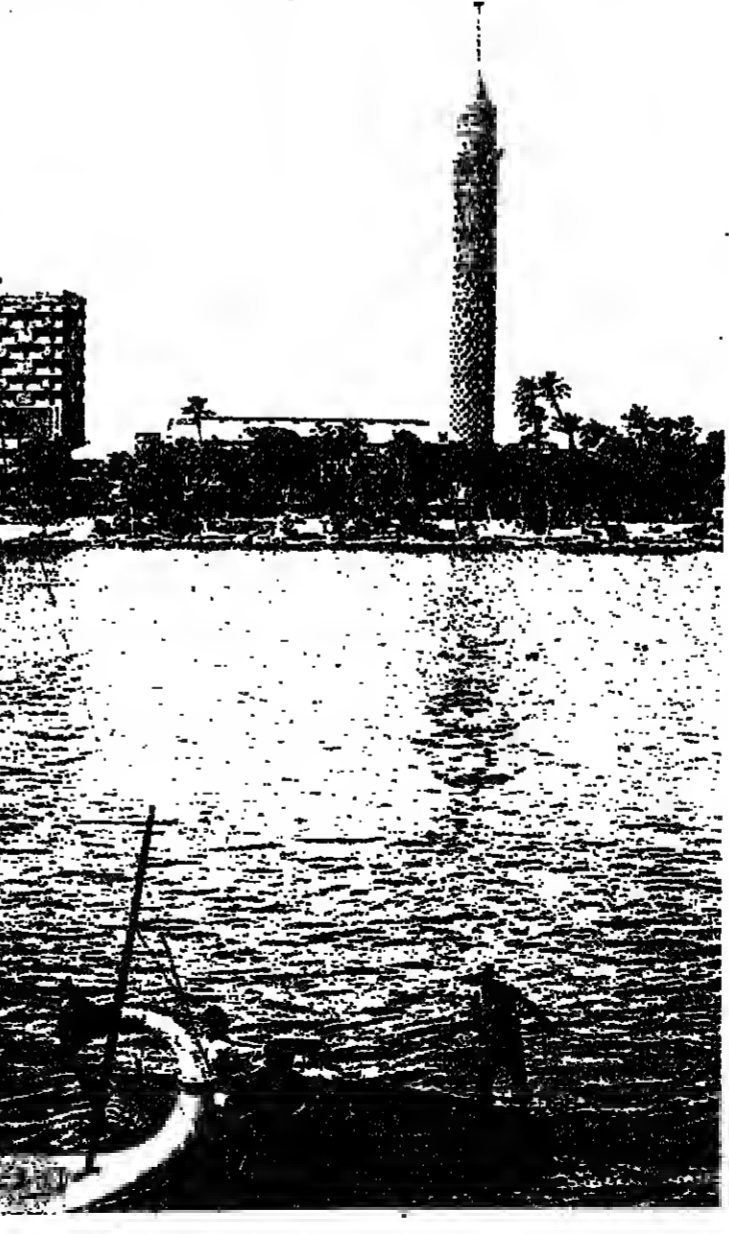
Although there are no statistics to quantify the amount being converted outside the banks and hotels, there is a thriving "free" market, conducted mainly in the street or through shops.

Mr. Gamal El Nazer, appointed minister for Tourism last May, is well aware of these problems. Tourists from Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) countries now account for 53 per cent of all visitors in Egypt...

How can a resolution of the Arab-Israeli problem be brought about? Mr. Sam responded, "We believe a just solution would obviously involve the protection and security interests and political independence of all states in the area — including Israel."



Visitors have quite varied requirements and expectations. Clockwise from left: the great Sphinx, a woman peddling fowl, the 180-metre Cairo Tower, and the Al Burg Hotel; Najwa Foad, one of the best Arab belly-dancers



SECRETARY WANTED (Male/Female) ICICO. A leading Construction and Investment Company in Jordan has a vacancy for a secretary. Position requires a full-time employee, at company's head office in Amman.

ECONOMY

IMF chief urges U.S. to help poor nations

WASHINGTON, May 9 (A.P.) — Jacques de Larosiere, Managing Director of the International Monetary Fund, called on the United States yesterday to take the lead in a "significant growth" of official aid to poor countries.

He said the aid should be given especially through international bodies—like his own institution.

The administration of President Ronald Reagan has made clear its intention, on the contrary, to reduce official aid and to give it more directly to other countries where governments support its policies.

Mr. de Larosiere's speech was prepared for delivery to the Commonwealth Club of California in San Francisco. A copy was made available in Washington, the IMF headquarters.

"I deeply hope," he said, "that the United States, which played such a crucial role in this field in the past, will be able to show the lead in international development assistance, especially as regards the multilateral institutions."

Mr. de Larosiere, a Frenchman, is the operating head of the IMF, which has 141 members. In the past, the U.S. has been the source of much of the money available for loans, but Thursday Saudi Arabia signed an agreement to make up to \$9.52 billion available to the IMF over the next two years, with no participation by the United

States.

Mr. de Larosiere said the IMF will need \$7.14 billion to \$8.33 billion a year over the next three years.

His figures made it clear that the IMF is looking for another billion or two a year, which no clear idea of where it will come from.

Some governments have favoured international bodies such as the IMF and the World Bank in furnishing aid because contributions from many countries and the lessening of political pressure from any one of them make international aid more flexible.

Mr. Larosiere singled out the main economic problem in the world as "stagflation"—the existence of high rates of inflation and unemployment at the same time. He said that to counter inflation, there has to be a slow-down in the growth of demand for goods. In addition, he said, "supply-side policies" will be necessary to increase amounts invested in new plants and machinery and to improve efficiency.

"Supply-side policies can and should play an important role," he said. "The question is whether they will be introduced on a wide enough scale, and whether their effects will be sufficiently great or quick-acting to have a marked impact on stagflation in the industrial world within the next two or three years."

A shining example of energy saving



HANOVER (DaD) — This ring shaped luminous lamp-wittily referred to as the disappearing halo—does look a bit bizarre, doesn't it? Thanks to an electronic pre-switching device, however, this Circolux R-presented at the recent Hanover Fair - only uses 25 watts but gives off the same light as a 75 watt bulb. This is a saving of two thirds electricity and no loss of light. Circolux burns for 6,000 hours - six times the life expectancy of the ordinary light bulb and it costs DM30.

ECONOMIC NEWS BRIEFS

Cadillac goes small

MILFORD, Michigan, May 9 (A.P.) — Feeling the pressure from fuel-efficient luxury import cars, General Motors Corp.'s Cadillac division launched its entry into the small car market yesterday with a preview of the Cimarron, the smallest Cadillac since 1915.

The Cimarron is Cadillac's version of GM's much publicized car and with a mileage rating of 25 miles (40 km) per gallon in the city and 42 MPG (68 kpg) on the highway—depending on transmission—The four-door sedan is aimed directly at such European luxury imports as Audi, BMW, Saab and Volvo. It also is expected to compete with Japanese imports like Toyota cressida.

Edward Kennard, a GM vice president and general manager of Cadillac, said the Cimarron is intended to attract young, affluent customers by emphasising luxurious features in a small, fuel-efficient car.

"We wanted a European road car, not a miniature Brougham or Seville," Mr. Kennard said. "Still, we wanted it to have four doors and seat four passengers. We wanted a functional car, and we didn't think that mandated a traditional Cadillac appearance."

India to assist Afghanistan in water resources programme

NEW DELHI, May 9 (A.P.) — The Indian government announced that it will assist Afghanistan in developing its water resources.

An official statement said that an Indian government consulting firm recently signed a contract with the Helmand Construction Corp. in Afghanistan to provide technical services for various projects.

The two-year contract was signed recently in the Afghan capital of Kabul and is worth about \$500,000.

The Indian firm will assign consultants to the projects and train Afghan personnel, the statement said.

The statement also identified a number of irrigation and power projects in the central Asian country which are being set up with

Indian help. These include Samla dam, the Kharab irrigation and drainage project and the Kujakot hydro-electric power project.

Kuwait lends \$53 million to Bangladesh, Cameroun

KUWAIT, May 9 (A.P.) — The Kuwait Fund for Arab Economic Development (KFAED) today loaned Bangladesh and the Cameroun a total of \$53 million to help finance development projects, the fund reported.

Bangladesh got \$30.2 million to finance an electrification project. The loan, carrying a 1.5 per cent interest rate, was to be repaid over 32 years, with a seven-year grace period.

Cameroun's loan was \$22.8 million to be used in financing highway projects. It carries a four per cent interest rate, to be paid over 20 years after a five-year period of grace. KFAED added.

Textile states resume talks in July

GENEVA, May 9 (A.P.) — After a second round of general and preliminary statements on what to do about their trade treaty expiring this year, textile importing and exporting states yesterday decided to start negotiations at the end of July.

The 50 members of the Multifibre Arrangement, as the treaty is called, resolved after two days of talks to meet again for at least one week starting July 30 to consider "proposals regarding the extension, modification or discontinuance of the protocol extending" the 1973 MFA.

A conference official explained to reporters the "point of this is to get the discussions focused on something concrete." Preliminary statements mirrored known views of the industrial states who favour extending the treaty unchanged while the developing textile exporting countries would like to remove or at least change a key passage of the protocol.

Adopted in 1977 largely on pressure from the European community, the passage admits "jointly agreed reasonable departures" from provisions of the MFA which guaranteed, in its original form, that exports of textiles and clothing from developing countries will rise every year.

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FEATURES

China tightens economic belt

By Ian Mackenzie

SHANGHAI — Despite China's... to cut back or cancel... billion dollar projects as... its austerity programme...

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Banana: fruit or vegetable?

By Jean-Marc Fleury

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beer, or are cut into chips and... dried to be preserved in case of... famine. In Cameroon, every inhabitant...

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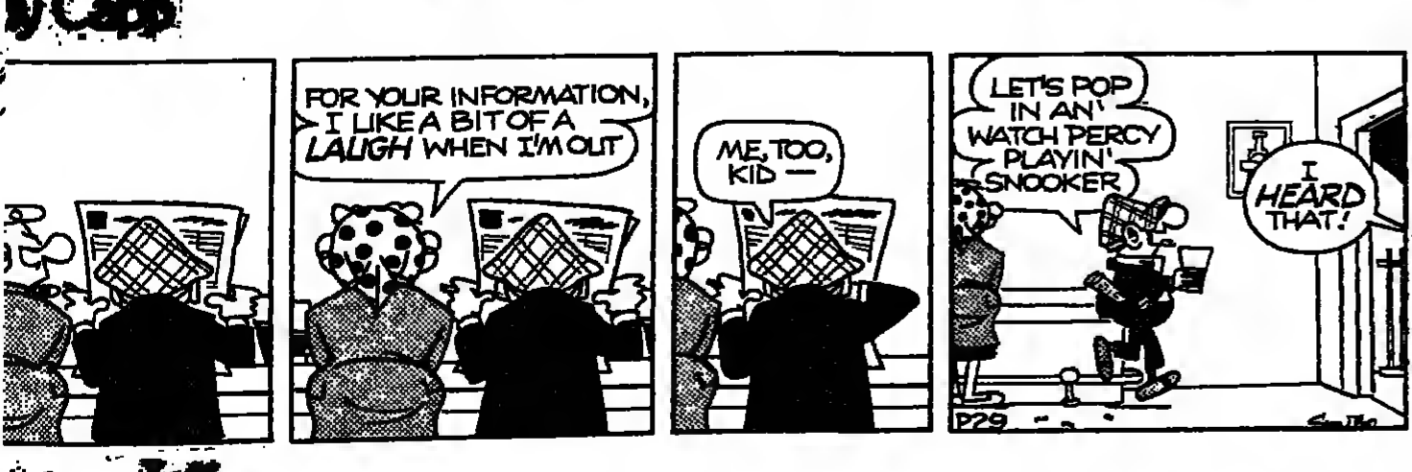
wrong suit, in which case his clubs would provide more than enough discards to take care of his partner's losers. East heard seven hearts at, his right and automatically presumed that it was his lead. Before anyone could say anything, the ace of diamonds was on the table in front of him. It seemed that North's tactics were about to pay off. Unfortunately, North had reckoned without his partner. No sooner had the ace of diamonds been led out of turn than South was hollering for the tournament director. It so happened that the worthy who appeared to give the rullig was oooe other than Harry Goldwater. South meotiooed that there had been a lead out of turn, and Goldwater explained declarer's options, one of which was to have the lead of a diamond barred. Since South had out seo his partner's hand, he did not relish the prospect of having to play a grand slam against the opening lead of an ace. It did not dawn on him that his partner could have leaped to seven hearts missing two aces. Playing what he considered to be the percentages, he requested West to lead anything but a diamond. West settled on the ace of spades, and that meant down me. Had declarer applied Goldwater's Law and accepted the lead out of turn, he would have made his grand slam. Goldwater walked away from the table feeling that justice had been served.

THE BETTER HALF By Vinson



THE Daily Crossword by Nikki Tenfelde

A crossword puzzle grid with clues. Clues include: ACROSS 1. The, 5. Lose, 9. Kins, 14. Span, 15. Malarial condition, 16. Upside-down flag, 17. Drop in the bucket, 18. Only begotten, 19. Fiber plant, 20. Biblical prophet, 21. Saber retting, 23. Most unusual, 25. Edible root, 26. Fissure, 29. Bowling item, 34. Logical thought, 39. Loop, 40. A Lazarus, 41. Late pop singer, 43. Rue - Pak, 44. Eats sparingly, 46. Metric length, 48. Avenue, 50. Zhivago's love, 51. Roman bronze, 53. Bare, 58. Convention group, 64. Samoan port, 65. Pretax, 66. Ridiculed, 67. Loch, 68. Blood giver, 69. Adam's grandson, 70. Bless, 71. Concerning, 72. Conflicts, 73. Ring up, DOWN 1. Philippine Island, 2. -facile, 3. Participant, 4. What fools - mrrrats, 5. Fur cape, 6. Exalted, 7. Breathing organ, 8. Suspicious, 9. Regatta members, 10. Sad cry, 11. Trailer truck, 12. Musical comb, 13. British weapon, 22. Currode sign, 27. Exploit block, 28. Forging bump, 31. Parmassian Ait, 32. Ait, 33. Approach, 34. Cincinnati team, 35. Give nif, 36. Part of USA: abbr., 37. Glut, 38 - monster, 42. Anger, 45. Adjective for islands, 47. Beerbohm, 49. Drink, 52. Disperse, 54. Cnstrnabon, 55. La Scala offering, 56. Rope fiber organ, 57. Artist's adjunct, 58. Baby word, 59. N.C. college, 60. Guards, 61. Black, 62. N.Y. college, 63. Bouquet.



JUMBLE THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME by Henri Arnold and Bob Lee

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Answer: What the cobbler who ran for office was - A "SHOE-IN"

A crossword puzzle grid with numbers 1 through 73 indicating the starting positions for the clues. The grid is a standard crossword format with black squares for non-letter positions.

WORLD

Violence having field days in N. Ireland

Rioters battle with police, mortar attack on police post -- still Maggie remains adamant

BELFAST, May 9 (Agencies) — A crude handgrenade exploded under a police vehicle injuring five officers and another policeman was shot and wounded in West Belfast early today following an IRA mortar attack on a government security post, police said.

In Londonderry, rioters battled police for four hours in the worst outbreak of violence in the British-ruled province since the death of Irish Republican Army hunger-striker Bobby Sands. Two people were hurt and 21 were arrested.

About 600 people were evacuated for three hours from an orphanage and a nursing home in Newry, south of Belfast, after a bomb blast at a natural gas works.

The Provisional IRA claimed responsibility for the mortar attack on a joint police-army post at Newry town hamilton in South Armagh. Two British soldiers were injured when the shells were fired from the back of an open truck last night.

In Roman Catholic West Belfast, a soldier was shot and wounded while on a patrol, police said. But no details of the shooting were immediately available.

Five policemen also were injured in West Belfast when a home-made hand grenade exploded under their vehicle, police said. All were treated for injuries and one was hospitalised.

As the violence escalated, hundreds of Protestants gathered at a church in the Belfast suburb of Belvoir Park for the funeral of 33-year-old Constable Philip Ellis, who was shot to death by a guerrilla Wednesday night. Yesterday, rioters firebombed

and stoned security patrols in Roman Catholic enclaves of Belfast, Londonderry and Strabane, continuing a cycle of violence that began before Sands' death Tuesday.

The 27-year-old IRA guerrilla, serving a 14-year term for gun possession died in the Maze prison near Belfast after a 66-day hunger strike for political prisoner status for IRA inmates.

He was buried Thursday in the biggest IRA funeral ever seen in Northern Ireland. It came one month after Sands was elected to the British Parliament.

Mr. Gerry Adams, vice president of the IRA political front Sinn Fein, said IRA prisoners will replace Sands and others who may die in the Maze hunger strike "one by one" until the British government bows to the guerrillas' demands for political prisoners status. There are 440 IRA prisoners in the prison.

Three hunger-strikers already along in their Maze fasts were said to be within weeks of death.

Mr. Adams said Mr. Francis Hughes, 25, serving a life sentence for killing a British soldier, was going blind at the start of his 56th day without food. Mr. Raymond McCresh and Mr. Patrick O'Hara, both 24, were having trouble with their eyesight and constantly vomiting after not eating for 49 days. And another jailed IRA gue-

rrilla today began a hunger strike to replace Sands.

The British Northern Ireland Office said convicted IRA gunman Joseph McDonnell, 30, refused breakfast this morning, bringing to four the number of guerrillas at the Maze prison fasting to win political status.

Mr. McDonnell was captured with Sands in 1977 during an IRA attack on a Belfast furniture store. Both received 14-year jail terms for firearms offences.

An army spokesman said a British soldier was shot and wounded today in the staunchly Republican Andersonstown area of West Belfast, the latest victim of violence which has flared since Sand's death. His condition was not known.

In the first official statement about the Northern Ireland developments after Sand's death, British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher reiterated her determination not to give in to the hunger-strikers' demands. The militant IRA "Provisional" wing has extended criminal violence into the prison by instituting the prison strike. Mrs. Thatcher said last night at a Conservative Party rally in Perth, Scotland.

"One of the time members has chosen to kill himself, a needless and futile waste of his life. I say futile because the political status sought by the hunger-strikers will not be granted," she said, without referring to Sands by name.

The IRA, fighting to unite the

Protestant-majority British province of Northern Ireland with the Catholic-dominated Irish Republic, is demanding that IRA prisoners be exempt from prison work and be allowed to wear their own clothes and mingle among themselves.

Tension remained high in Northern Ireland, the mostly rural province of 1 million Protestants and 500,000 Catholics, five days after Sand's death.

A young man was shot in the thigh yesterday in the mostly Catholic New Lodge area of North Belfast, near the site where Constable Ellis was killed.

Polish youths burn down police post

WARSAW, May 9 (R) — Angry youths used railway sleepers and sledgehammers to attack the walls of a police post in a Warsaw suburb after burning the building, the official Polish news agency PAP said today.

The three-room building, beside the railway station in Otwock, some 30 kilometres from Warsaw, was set on fire last night after being mobbed by a crowd of more than 1,000 people.

They were protesting against allegations that police beat up two men at the post after detaining them for drunkenness.

The crowd had been restrained

Calvo Sotelo's speech draws mixed reaction

MADRID, May 9 (R) — A televised speech by Spanish Prime Minister Leopoldo Calvo Sotelo after a week of guerrilla violence met mixed press and political reaction today.

No new measures were announced in the prime minister's broadcast last night and the right-wing El Alcazar daily, popular among the military, announced today on its front page: "Calvo Sotelo brought no solutions."

"Although it was hoped the prime minister would introduce new measures to combat the criminal wave, all he did was limit himself to explaining the work of the anti-terrorist command," the newspaper said, referring to a unit set up some weeks ago giving the army a direct security role in the Basque country.

Shortly after the broadcast, separatist Basque guerrillas burned a yacht belonging to an industrialist and blew up installations belonging to a company building a controversial nuclear power station in the troubled northern region.

In last night's speech, Mr. Calvo Sotelo spoke of a grave situation and said the government had the ability to fight the guerrillas and would do so without hesitation. But he said the struggle would be lengthy.

The Madrid daily Diario 16 praised the prime minister's broadcast, saying today that his words had reaffirmed the nation's collective democratic values. "This is what governing is about," the newspaper said.

The influential El Pais said the speech should be praised for its serenity and prudence. A spokesman for Spain's main opposition Socialist Party said the prime minister's address was a fundamentally correct description of what was happening in Spain.

SPORTS ROUNDUP

West Ham overcomes Sheffield 1-0

SHEFFIELD, England, May 9 (R) — West Ham, runaway champions of England's Second Division, rounded off their soccer season with a 1-0 win over Sheffield last night, so setting a post-war record of points in that division. A goal by Nicky Morgan deputising for striker Paul Goddard, gave the London club a 1-0 win — their 28th in the 42 league matches — and took their points tally to 66, one more than the mark set by Middlesbrough seven years ago. They finished 13 points clear of the field.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 9 (R) — The board of directors of the Women's Tennis Association (WTA) has voted unanimously to retain Billie Jean King as president despite her admission that she had a lesbian relationship with her former secretary, Mrs. King offered to resign her post with the WTA, a players' group which she founded in 1973, after her disclosure of the affair at a press conference a week ago. A WTA spokeswoman said that the 15-player board had rejected Mrs. King's offer and expressed support for her continuing as president. Mrs. King, 37, admitted that she and Marilyn Barnett, 33, had been lovers between 1972 and 1979 after Miss Barnett filed a lawsuit claiming that Mrs. King had promised to provide her with lifetime financial support.

Scottish Football Association final a draw

HAMPDEN PARK, Scotland, May 9 (A.P.) — Glasgow Rangers and Dundee United tied at 0-0 at the end of the regulation 90 minutes of the Scottish Football Association Cup final before a crowd of 50,000 at Hampden Park this afternoon. The match went into 30 minutes of overtime with no goals scored. The sensational finale came after Iran Redford of the Rangers booted a penalty, the last kick of regular time, into the arms of Dundee goalie Hamish Alpine. Replay is scheduled for Tuesday.

King retains WTA presidency

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French presidential election: neck-and-neck results expected

PARIS, May 9 (R) — France chooses its leader for the next seven years tomorrow after a lacklustre election campaign enlivened only in its final stages by flashes of bitterness between the two contenders.

The 36 million voters will choose between Mr. Valery Giscard d'Estaing, seeking his second term as president, and Mr. Francois Mitterrand, the Socialist challenger making his third attempt at the office.

Campaigning, which officially stopped at midnight last night, had been going on for months but generally failed to fire the imagination of the French public.

Most commentators expect the final result to be extremely close.

Mr. Mitterrand emerged as the slight favourite in the last opinion polls published a week ago. But some commentators suggested the final outcome could rest with the small fraction of voters who have yet to decide which of the two candidates they dislike the least.

The campaign itself was generally unexciting save for the final three days, which were marked by mudslinging and mutual accusations of trying to mislead the voters.

In the first round voting on April 26, Mr. Giscard d'Estaing received 28.32 per cent of the vote compared to 25.85 for Mr. Mitterrand.

Eight other candidates were eliminated in that

poll and both the president and his challenger have been fighting hard since then for the votes which went to other candidates.

Particularly important will be the 18 per cent received by Gaullist leader Jacques Chirac. Mr. Mitterrand appears assured of picking up the 15 per cent of the votes which went to Communist Georges Marchais in the first round, but hopes to a take slice of the Gaullist vote as well.

Mr. Giscard d'Estaing, 55, campaigned strenuously to keep any Gaullist and middle-of-the-road voters who might be tempted to vote for his rival by underlining the possibility of Communist ministers in a Mitterrand government.

Mr. Mitterrand said early in the campaign there would be no Communists in any government he headed unless the French Communist Party loosened its ties with Moscow.

The 64-year-old Socialist leader said last night that if he became president, he would call an early general election to avoid conflict with the current centre-right National Assembly.

In their last campaign speeches, both candidates underlined their belief in change and Mr. Giscard d'Estaing offered an overhaul of the team now leading the country.

He did not elaborate on the statement. But it was interpreted by some commentators as meaning he would drop his successful but generally unpopular prime minister, Mr. Raymond Barre, if re-elected.

WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Yorkshire Ripper's house set on fire

BRADFORD, England, May 9 (A.P.) — An arsonist set fire to the home of admitted "Yorkshire Ripper" Peter Sutcliffe in northern England today, causing an estimated £1,000 (\$2,200) damage, police said. No-one was at home at the time, and policemen extinguished the flames before the fire brigade arrived. Police, called by a neighbour who heard breaking glass, found an armchair, curtains and carpets on fire in a front room. Police said two panes of glass had been broken in the ground-floor bay window. "The matter is being treated as arson," a police spokesman said. Sutcliffe, a 34-year-old truck driver, is being tried in London, in the killings of 13 women in northern England over a five-year period. He has pleaded guilty to manslaughter for the slayings and to attempting to murder seven other women. Sutcliffe's wife, Sonia, has remained in London to attend the trial.

Last guerrillas disarmed in Zimbabwe

BULAWAYO, Zimbabwe, May 9 (A.P.) — Thousands of guerrillas who previously refused to be disarmed began giving up their weapons to Zimbabwe army soldiers in two remote camps yesterday, it was reported today. "There have been no hitches," Brig. Mike Shute, army commander of Matabeland Province in western Zimbabwe, said in an interview here with the Bulawayo Chronicle. Some 10,000 guerrillas who fought a seven-year war to bring Prime Minister Robert Mugabe's black coalition government to power last year have remained in their camps with their arms, ignoring demands to disarm. All the other 26,000 guerrillas of two armies which fought in the war have been disarmed and most have been integrated into a new national army. More than 6,000 guerrillas up until yesterday were holding out with their weapons at Gwaii River camp in western Zimbabwe and some 3,000 others at Middle Sabi in Southeastern Zimbabwe.

Pretoria warns Salisbury

JOHANNESBURG, May 9 (A.P.) — South Africa has warned neighbouring black-ruled Zimbabwe that it would "hit back hard" if Zimbabwe harbours black nationalist guerrillas operating against this country. Speaking at the opening of a new police station in Cape Province, Police Minister Louisa Gange warned Zimbabwe Prime Minister Robert Mugabe: "We are aware of the presence of African National Congress (ANC) terrorists in Zimbabwe, and I wish to confirm our standpoint once more, namely that we are not prepared to cooperate with a country which harbours terrorist forces against the republic and that we will attack and destroy such bases, like in Maputo, without regard if need be." South African commandos mounted a raid on three houses on the outskirts of Maputo, capital of neighbouring Mozambique, during the early hours of Jan. 30.

Suzuki commits nothing to Reagan

WASHINGTON, May 9 (R) — Japanese Prime Minister Zenko Suzuki has promised the U.S. that Japan would do more for Asian regional defence but made no specific commitment beyond promising "an even more fruitful dialogue" in follow-up talks. The Reagan administration had mixed reactions to the assurance after two days of White House talks. A joint communique yesterday said Mr. Reagan "expressed his understanding of the statement by the prime minister." A White House official said the discussion on defence was "frank and open," terms usually used to indicate different views. He also said it should not be expected that the two countries would be in accord on all details of policy. But Defence Secretary Caspar Weinberger, who last week publicly criticised Japan for insufficient defence spending, said the talks had been very good and very successful and set the stage for two high-level defence consultations in June. The communique said both leaders were hopeful of "even more fruitful dialogue" at the June meetings. U.S. and Japanese officials said no specific commitments had been expected or given during the Reagan-Suzuki talks.

Fight for control of W. Berlin; will it result in a stalemate?

WEST BERLIN, May 9 (R) — West Berliners vote on Sunday in elections which could deal a critical blow to Chancellor Helmut Schmidt's federal coalition government in Bonn. Nothing less than the control of Germany's largest city is at stake.

West Berlin has for long been regarded as a bastion of Mr. Schmidt's Social Democratic Party (SPD), which has held power here alone or in coalition for the last 35 years.

But if recent opinion polls prove accurate, the election will result in a stalemate in which neither the coalition between the SPD and the Liberal Free Democrats (FDP), nor their opposition Christian Democrats (CDU) will gain an outright victory.

Afraid that such an outcome might wreck the SPD-FDP alliance, a local version of the ruling federal coalition in Bonn, some SPD officials say privately that outright defeat may be the least damaging result they can hope for. Against a background of clashes

between squatters and police, anger over high-level corruption and mounting social problems, the election looks likely to deepen Berlin's political crisis rather than resolve it.

The election, originally due in 1983, was brought forward after the collapse of Mayor Dietrich Stobbe's SPD-FDP government in January over a major finance scandal.

Subsequent revelations of corruption within the administration outraged the public. Despite the evident popularity of Mr. Stobbe's successor, former West German Justice Minister Hans-Jochen Vogel, traditional SPD voters are expected to desert the party in droves.

Young supporters appear to be moving towards the so-called "Alternative List" (A.L.), a grouping of ecologists and radical left-wingers which may hold the key to the expected political impasse.

Soviet leader warns the West

MOSCOW, May 9 (R) — Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev warned the West today that the Soviet Union would give a "quick and effective response" to any military challenge but added that Moscow was in favour of a "broad dialogue" to strengthen peace.

In a speech to mark the 26th anniversary of the Allied victory over Nazi Germany, the 74-year-old president referred to slanders and threats which he said had been made against Soviet policy.

"But we do not give in to intimidation," Mr. Brezhnev said at the opening of a World War II memorial in the Ukrainian capital of Kiev.

Mr. Brezhnev said the Soviet Union remained opposed to the East-West arms race.

"But if we are forced, we will find a quick and effective response to any challenge of belligerent imperialism, because it is our prime and most sacred duty to ensure the security of our country and our allies ...," he said.

Cubans in Peru... between the devil and the sea



More than 10,000 Cubans rushed into the grounds of the Peruvian embassy in Havana seeking to escape the Castro regime. (ICA photo)

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LIMA — Hundreds of Cubans who fled the Communist government of their native country after a bigly-publicised occupation of the Peruvian embassy in Havana are beginning to despair of ever finding the new way of life they had dreamed of.

A year after leaving Cuba they find themselves still in a refugee camp in Peru, without permanent homes or jobs and attracting the growing resentment of the local population.

The refugees were among 10,000 people who sought political asylum and a safe passage to exile at the embassy.

Most reached the United States aboard a fleet of small boats but about 700 accepted Peru's offer of temporary hospitality.

Almost half of these have since started a new life in Brazil, Ecuador and Western Europe. But for those who remain, hopes of finding a new home are fading rapidly.

"We want to leave, but God alone knows when," Mr. Benito Ramirez, spokesman for the group, told Reuters in the former Lima amusement park which has become their makeshift home.

A few members of the community have adapted to life in Lima, eking out an existence as street peddlars or factory workers. But most of them long to be allowed to go to the United States where they say they have relatives.

According to foreign ministry

officials, the process of relocating the refugees is long and complicated. Many countries will accept only family groups and demand evidence that no member has a criminal record.

Their cases are handled by a committee comprising of officials of the security forces, the Civil Defence Agency, the office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and the foreign ministry.

Dissatisfaction is growing inside and outside the Tupac Amaru park where the refugees live in large, khaki-coloured tents donated by the Red Cross.

The park, once the finest in Lima, is closed to the public. A park official said there were thefts of park property daily.

In desperation, some refugees have resorted to sneaking aboard boats and planes bound for the United States. A crowd of 100 even made an unsuccessful attempt last August to hijack a U.S. airliner at Lima airport.

The refugees complain of poor living conditions in their bivouac village and accuse the Peruvian authorities of ignoring their plight.

Mr. Ramirez said that apart from daily food rations, the exiles were abandoned to their fate. "A year has gone by and we are in the same position as on the first day. Nothing has improved," he said.

The refugees are also encountering growing animosity from their Peruvian neighbours who accuse them of drunkenness and thieving.



Cuban refugees in Peru: they still find no escape. They are still installed in refugee camps and denied permission to go out. Most of them await permission to go to the U.S. (Gamma photo)

"Having them nearby is unbearable," complained Lima housewife Mrs. Lourdes De Gamarra. "They cause scandals and are abusive and the police cannot do anything about them."

Thefts have also forced the closure of an infant school inside the park.

Juana Caroli Acuy, the school's director, said teaching aids and cooking utensils had disappeared, and that vandalism had reached an unprecedented level since the refugees' arrival.

Left-wing newspapers accuse the government of being too generous to the exiles.

They say Peru, with a shortage of homes, high unemployment and an enormous foreign debt, lacks the economic resources to maintain the community.

A year ago, the newly-arrived Cubans warmed the hearts of many Peruvians with their exotic accents and denunciations of the Fidel Castro government.

But the enthusiastic welcome has long passed. In its place "is growing clamour from the refugees' Peruvian neighbours: Cubans go home."

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